

is a party to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material, whereby it has agreed to apply international standards of physical protection to the storage and transport of nuclear material under its jurisdiction or control.

Continued close cooperation with Canada in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, under the long-term extension of the U.S.-Canada Agreement for Cooperation provided for in the proposed Protocol, will serve important U.S. national security, foreign policy, and commercial interests.

I have considered the views and recommendations of the interested agencies in reviewing the proposed Protocol and have determined that its performance will promote, and will not constitute an unreasonable risk to, the common defense and security. Accordingly, I have approved the Protocol and authorized its execution and urge that the Congress give it favorable consideration.

This transmission shall constitute a submittal for purposes of both sections 123b. and 123d. of the Atomic Energy Act. My Administration is prepared to begin immediate consultations with the Senate Foreign Relations and House International Relations Committees as provided in section 123b. Upon completion of the 30-day continuous session period provided for in section 123b., the 60-day continuous session period provided for in section 123d. shall commence.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 24, 1999.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2000" (Rept. No. 106-85).

By Mr. SPECTER, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs:

Special Report entitled "Legislative Activities of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs' During the 105th Congress" (Rept. No. 106-86).

By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1282: An original bill making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-87).

By Mrs. HUTCHISON, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1283: An original bill making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-88).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 140: A bill to establish the Thomas Cole National Historic Site in the State of New York as an affiliated area of the National Park System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-89).

S. 734: A bill entitled the "National Discovery Trails Act of 1999" (Rept. No. 106-90).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 762: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a feasibility study on the inclusion of the Miami Circle in Biscayne National Park (Rept. No. 106-91).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 938: A bill to eliminate restrictions on the acquisition of certain land contiguous to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-92).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 939: A bill to correct spelling errors in the statutory designations of Hawaiian National Parks (Rept. No. 106-93).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 946: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to transfer administrative jurisdiction over land within the boundaries of the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site to the Archivist of the United States for the construction of a visitor center (Rept. No. 106-94).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 955: A bill to allow the National Park Service to acquire certain land for addition to the Wilderness Battlefield in Virginia, as previously authorized by law, by purchase or exchange as well as by donation (Rept. No. 106-95).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 1027: A bill to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes Resources Conservancy, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-96).

H.R. 459: A bill to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for FERC Project No. 9401, the Mt. Hope Waterpower Project (Rept. No. 106-97).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 1287: An original bill to provide for the storage of spent nuclear fuel pending completion of the nuclear waste repository, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-98).

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

H.R. 441: A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the requirements for the admission of non-immigrant nurses who will practice in health professional shortage areas.

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 768: A bill to establish court-martial jurisdiction over civilians serving with the Armed Forces during contingency operations, and to establish Federal jurisdiction over crimes committed outside the United States by former members of the Armed Forces and civilians accompanying the Armed Forces outside the United States.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HATCH, for the Committee on the Judiciary:

Keith P. Ellison, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, vice Norman W. Black, retired.

Gary Allen Feess, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, vice James M. Ideman, retired.

Stefan R. Underhill, of Connecticut, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, vice Peter C. Dorsey, retired.

W. Allen Pepper, Jr. of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi, vice L.T. Senter, Jr., retired.

Karen E. Schreier, of South Dakota, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Dakota, vice Richard H. Battey, retired.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 1273: A bill to amend the Federal Power Act, to facilitate the transition to more competitive and efficient electric power markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. GRAMS (for himself, Mr. ROTH, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. BURNS, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GORTON, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. MACK, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. BUNNING):

S. 1274: A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the accessibility to and affordability of health care, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KYL:

S. 1275: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to produce and sell products and to sell publications relating to the Hoover Dam, and to deposit revenues generated from the sales into the Colorado River Dam fund; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. JEFFORDS (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. DODD, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REED, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. REID, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. KERRY, Mr. INOUE, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. ROBB, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. KERREY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. BRYAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. KOHL):

S. 1276: A bill to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.